

# BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

100-50-20-YEARS AGO

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## ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

### COMMERCIAL TREATY WITH THE UNITED STATES

(From the London Morning Chronicle, of the 17th of July, 1815.)

"This important document we learn in a complete state, the ratification being only deficient in the hand of Mr. John Quincy Adams, the American Minister at this Court.

It is short on the form but comprehensive in the system. By the first article the navigation laws of the two countries are, for mutual benefit, dispensed with, and British vessels trading to American ports, and American vessels trading to British ports, have equal privileges in regard to duties and exemptions, while the vessels respectively. The benefit not only extends to the ships but also to the cargoes. Thus cotton-wool, which on coming to England in British ships from the United States is liable to duty only of 10 per cent, and if imported in American vessels is subject to a duty of 5d in the pound, will bear the same duty if conveyed in the bottoms of either country.

"The second article admits of free trade to Calcutta, and to all the British settlements of the peninsula of Hindoostan. With regard to China there is no regulation, because that trade is exclusively with the India Company, and the company has no power or authority to obstruct the trade to China, either with regard to the Americans or any other foreign state.

"A third article, and not the least important in the view of the American government, restricts the British from entering into any trade with the numerous tribes of Indians occupying any part of the country within the jurisdiction of the United States. (This treaty was signed by Mr. John Quincy Adams.)

The London Globe, of the 18th of July, 1815 says, "In the new Commercial arrangements with America, we learn that SOME PRIVILEGES HAVE BEEN GRANTED to America in the FUR TRADE!"

## FIFTY YEARS AGO.

### VERDICT OF JURY OF INQUEST

#### Housatonic Railroad Murders!

The verdict of the Jury of Inquest was rendered this morning at the Council Chamber. We give it below, as well as a minority report by Messrs. Seeley and Stevenson. Agreeably to the statute of this state, Coroner's juries have no power to punish or decide upon the guilt of the parties whose acts have caused the death of any person or persons. They simply inquire into causes. The matter now passes into the hands of the State's Attorney, who will decide whether there are grounds for prosecuting or not. This verdict will be filed in the Superior Court. We hope that officer will fulfill his duty fearlessly, and that justice will be done to the real criminals.

#### THE VERDICT

Fairfield County, ss.,

Bridgeport, August 30, 1865.

The undersigned Jurors, being duly empanelled and sworn to enquire of the cause and manner of the deaths

of E. O. Wakeman, Mrs. Henry Lambertson, Mrs. Maria Thorne, Mrs. Sarah Egan, Mrs. Charlotte Cable, Samuel Crofut, Wm. Menzies, Thomas O'Brien, George W. Mansfield, and Samuel B. Demming, do find said persons came to their deaths on the 15th and 16th days of August, 1865, they being passengers on the Housatonic Railroad, about four miles north of Bridgeport, in consequence of a collision between the locomotive "Fairfield," and the regular morning passenger train from Bridgeport to Pittsfield—said passenger train having overtaken a disabled freight train near Trumbull Church, and proceeding towards Bridgeport, in connection with said freight train at the time of collision.

The passenger train left Bridgeport 15 minutes before 8 a. m., and the locomotive "Fairfield" about 15 minutes later. The locomotive was sent out on a trial trip by order of one Mr. Winslow, Master Mechanic of the Housatonic Railroad, and was under the charge of Engineer Edward R. Lyman.

The collision occurred at a curve in the road, about 20 minutes past 11 a. m. The passenger train was in charge of one Mr. H. L. Plumb, Conductor, who was accompanied by one Charles Hunt, President and Superintendent of the road.

The instructions from Mr. Winslow to the Engineer Lyman, were either "To go a short distance up the road, or to go four or five miles," the evidence being conflicting on this point.

The jury find among the printed regulations of the Housatonic Railroad, with which the Master Mechanic, all Conductors and Engineers were furnished, the following:

"Rule 1—Station agents are required to hand the conductor of each train a memorandum of the time of departure of the preceding train. If trains are stopped on the road, the conductor must always send signals in each direction, and the conductors of trains delayed at stations on the line of another train, must send signals to warn the approaching train."

"Rule 12—A red flag by day and a red lantern by night must always be exhibited upon an engine, when an engine other than that of a regular train is to follow, and in case a regular train is divided into two or more distinct trains, flags will be kept flying upon the engines of all the trains except the last. A white flag displayed upon an engine is a signal that an extra train is soon to pass in an opposite direction."

"Rule 26—In all cases of doubt take the safe side."

THE JURY FIND that Regulation 12 was violated by Mr. Andrew Winslow, Master Mechanic, and Edward R. Lyman, engineer, by omitting to place a flag on the preceding train, they having the entire control of the engine "Fairfield."

We also find that Regulation 5 was violated by Mr. Chas. Hunt, President and Superintendent of the road and also by Mr. Henry L. Plumb, Conductor of the passenger train, by omitting to send signals in each direction—when the train was stopped

J. Crowley, assistant pastor of St. Mary's, Bridgeport. The residents of Norwalk, both Protestant and Catholic, would be pained to hear of the removal of Fr. Slocum from Norwalk and it is hardly believed at the present by those on the inside that the above will come to pass.

#### SOME CASUALTIES.

Little Jimmie Rawley, who lives with his parents, 84 State street, was run over by one of the Adams Express teams near his home yesterday afternoon and sustained injuries that it was thought would prove fatal. He was playing on the street with some other companions when the team struck him, knocking him down and the wheels going over Jimmy's head. There was a cut under his right eye and his right ear was torn. To-day he is resting quite comfortably and has regained consciousness.

Patrick Rice, of West avenue, an employee of Thomas Morrissey, of South avenue, while lifting a keg of beer this forenoon, cut his right hand between the index finger and the thumb. The wound was stitched at the Emergency.

Six-year-old Dan Johnson, of 18 Hanck street, was hit by a street car of his right leg this morning by Michael D. Shannahan's dog. Several boys were playing with the animal when Dan fell on his back. The dog sprang for the legs of the passing boy and drew blood. The wounds were cauterized at the Emergency.

Laura Jensen, of 15 Colorado avenue, got the end of her index finger in her right hand smashed in a press at Warner Bros. factory this forenoon. Dressed at the Emergency.

Berger Hendricksen, of 27 Chester street, was trying to catch a cow in a lot near the Black Rock road. Betsy dodged away and dislocated Hendricksen's left hand in so doing.

Eleven-year-old John Maloney, of 87 Catherine street, got several fingers on his right hand jammed in a press in a printing office this forenoon. Johnnie was taking out some of yesterday's papers which were not sold.

Frank Horsey, aged 8, of Black Rock fell on stones near the water's edge near his home this noon and cut a gash an inch long between his eyes. The cut was stitched by Dr. Osborn at the Emergency.

## HOLYOKE TROLLEY STRIKERS UNABLE TO BRING PEACE

Holyoke, Mass., Aug. 30.—Prospects for the settlement of the trolley-men's strike which has completely tied up street car traffic in this city and Amherst since midnight Thursday, seemed far from encouraging today.

Efforts of the state board of conciliation and arbitration to bring about an amicable adjustment of the difficulties were temporarily suspended Saturday night and will probably be resumed today. Two members of the Holyoke Trolley-men's union were suspended from the organization in a meeting yesterday on a charge of approaching fellow workers in an effort to induce them to desert the ranks of the strikers. According to the story told by other strikers, the two men were approached by the two men in question and told that the company would pay them from \$3 to \$5 a day if they went back to work.

## BRIDGEPORT CLUB MEMBERS' OUTING ATTENDED BY 150

The first outing of the Bridgeport club, attended by more than 150 members and their friends, was held yesterday at the Sound View hotel, Walnut Beach. Under the direction of an entertainment committee including Chairman William E. Primrose, John Flood, George Oviatt, James Turner and George Marx, songs and speeches were indulged in. So successful was the initial outing that others will be held as opportunity presents.

Some 50 employees of the Lake Torpedo Boat Co. enjoyed an outing at Long Beach Saturday afternoon. There was a clam bake and athletic sports. The guests were R. H. M. Robinson, J. B. Fraumfelder, Philip Hill, John Ward and William Gallagher.

About 200 members and friends of the Sick Benefit Association of the Bridgeport Brass Co. had an outing Saturday afternoon at Forest Grove. Bouncing was enjoyed in the pavilion. The committee in charge was William J. Barton, E. R. Coulson and R. J. Jenner.

## CHILD SUFFERS FRACTURED RIB WHEN AUTO HITS HIM.

While alighting from a street car at Electric avenue and Broadway, Walnut Beach, yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Paul Ogden, six years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Ogden, of 165 Urban street, Mount Vernon, N. Y., was struck by a passing automobile, suffering a fracture of the rib. The automobile was driven by George Lamber, of 39 Sixth street, North Pelham, N. Y.

Laborers have been digging since Thursday morning trying to unearth George Bararo, who was buried alive under 40 feet of earth when a sewer tunnel caved in at Tompkins Avenue and Macon street, Brooklyn.

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## TEUTONIC ALLIES SEEK BALKAN WAR, BUCHAREST SAYS

London, Aug. 30.—The Times Balkan correspondent at Bucharest, Rumania, sends the following dispatch: "Germany and Austria are doing everything in their power to bring about war between Bulgaria and her neighbors. A fresh invasion of Serbia, in the opinion of competent critics, will begin about 10 days hence and possibly will be undertaken from the east, enemy forces being taken through the strip of Serbia near the Rumanian frontier into Bulgaria and thence towards Nish."

"In the meantime, another menace has become known. A great massing of German troops is taking place in the district of Pogradec, on the north-western frontier of Rumania. Two hundred thousand have arrived during the past week at Kronstadt (Transylvania) and all Hungarian customs officials have been withdrawn from the frontier station at Predal to Kronstadt and the intermediate district has been handed over to the Hungarian military authorities."

## STATE HAD RIGHT TO STOP SOLDIERS' BOUTS, GOVERNMENT DECIDES

Washington, Aug. 30.—Wisconsin state authorities have full legal jurisdiction over the Sparta, (Wis.), military reservation and the sheriff of the county was within his rights when he declared that he would arrest any of the participants in a boxing match which was to have been held by the troops stationed there. The war department has just made this discovery after a careful search of the law.

Usually, the jurisdiction of the civil officials ends at the entrance to a government reservation, but in this case, it appeared that the national government neglected to take advantage of the provisions of a special act of the Wisconsin legislature of 1911 which would have confirmed its exclusive jurisdiction.

## S. T. DAVIS, JR., HEAD OF LOCOMOBILE CO., RALLIES AT HIS HOME

S. T. Davis, Jr., president of the Locomobile company, who was stricken in his office last Saturday with what is believed to be nothing more than a slight ailment, is resting comfortably at his Fairfield home today under the care of Dr. John C. Lynch. It is expected that he will resume his labors at the head of the big automobile manufacturing company within a day or so.

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## PRESIDENT PUTS OFF PLANS FOR LONG VACATION

Washington, Aug. 30.—President Wilson has given up all idea to-day of a further extended vacation this year. He had planned to spend the whole month of September at Cornish, N. H., but his plans now are not to leave Washington until the situation between the United States and Germany clears, if he leaves at all.

The President already has received assurances from official German sources which he hopes will result in solving the controversy with Germany over her submarine warfare. He is waiting, however, for Germany to make formal disavowal of the attack on the Arabic and assurances of safety to Americans on the high seas in the future.

Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, had returned to-day to the summer embassy on Long Island, satisfied that an amicable understanding would be reached regarding the Arabic tragedy as well as all other issues with Germany. He probably will not return here pending the receipt by the Washington government of further word from Berlin.

## STRATFORD PROVIDES FOR INCREASE IN THE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

(Special to The Farmer.)  
Stratford, Aug. 30.—Preparations are under way in Stratford for the accommodation of many additional school children when the fall term opens on the Tuesday following Labor Day. In the four new rooms just added to the Franklin school, Contractor Harry E. Cook is busily engaged with a force of men installing seats and fixtures to the number of about 50 in a room. This work will be completed for the school opening and when finished the school will have 12 rooms with accommodations for between 550 and 600 pupils.

During the past year the town has apparently been cramped for school accommodations and the improvement in the Franklin school will relieve at least part of the pressure.

Mr. Cook is also constructing a large storage shed for the Stratford Lumber company. The building will be 36 by 40, 24 feet high, and it is estimated that it will have a capacity of 100,000 feet of lumber.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. James Bradshaw and daughter Hazel are spending 10 days with Dr. C. P. Bradshaw and Mrs. Fred Jerman at New London, and Niantic.

Two women and a boy were killed and two other persons injured when an automobile in which they were riding was struck by an express train of the Toronto & Buffalo line at the Ancaster crossing at Hamilton, Ont.

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